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1. Sometime in the middle of August CHOU En-lai stated in confidence that the Chinese Communists would not become involved in the Korean war or engage in military activities in any area outside of China unless attacked.

2. CHOU explained that the Chinese must devote all their efforts to national reconstruction. He also made it clear that the Chinese Communist Government cannot afford to take any action which would prejudice their admission to the United Nations. This second reason makes the invasion of Taiwan inadvisable at this time.\*

Comment. CH'EN Yi, speaking before a committee of top Chinese Communist leaders of East China in Nanking on 30 August, also stated that the Government must change their policy toward the invasion of Taiwan so as not to mar their chances for a seat at the United Nations General Assembly. See [REDACTED]

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